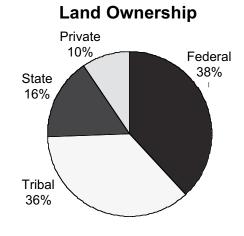
### GRAHAM COUNTY



## Economic Importance of Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation to Graham County

Graham County is located in the eastern part of the state. It has 0.65% (33,489) of the state's population and 4.1% (2,975,155 acres or 4,648 square miles) of the state's land base. The population density is 7 people per square mile. The landscape ranges from low desert to high elevation mixed conifer forests offering a wide range of outdoor recreation opportunities. The region has several unique OHV opportunities, such as a small dune area and scenic byways.



- 34% of households in Graham County are OHV users; state percentage is 21%.
- 5% of all Arizona OHV trip destinations for past 12 months were to Graham County.
- 209,712 OHV Recreation Days occur annually in Graham County; 1.7% of Arizona's total.
  - 66,020 OHV Recreation Days (31%) are from Graham County residents.
  - 143,694 OHV days (69%) are from other Arizona residents traveling to Graham County.
- 82% of Graham County OHV households are satisfied with their overall OHV experience.

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Total Economic Impact to Graham County from OHV Recreation is					
\$3	7.5 MILLIO	N/year			
DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT-	–(\$ in millions)				
Off-Highway Vehicle	Total for	By County	By Other Arizona		
Related Expenditures	<u>Graham County</u>	<u>Residents</u>	<u>Residents</u>		
OHV Trips—Fuel/Gasoline	\$3.4 M	\$1.9 M	\$1.5 M		
Lodging/Campgrounds	\$1.8 M	\$0.2 M	\$1.6 M		
Restaurants/Bars	\$2.2 M	\$1.0 M	\$1.2 M		
Groceries/Liquor	\$2.7 M	\$1.4 M	\$1.3 M		
Other (event fees, souvenirs, etc.)	\$2.3 M	<u>\$0.7 M</u>	\$1.6 M		
Total OHV Recreation Trips	\$12.4 M	\$5.2 M	\$7.2 M		
Off-Highway Vehicles	+ \$6.7 M	OHV Trip Expendit	tures—\$12.4 Million		
• Tow Vehicles/Trailers	+ \$2.6 M	\$7.2 Million	County Residents 42%		
OHV Equipment	<u>+ \$10.6 M</u>		\$5.2 Million		
Total OHV Expenditures	= \$32.3 Million				
TOTAL IMPACT- Multiplier Effect	* \$37.5 Million				
INDIRECT ECONOMIC IMPAC	Т				
• Full-time/Part-time Jobs (#)	348	Other			
• Salaries/Wages	\$6.2 Million	Arizona Residents			
	QUIZ 111111011	58%			

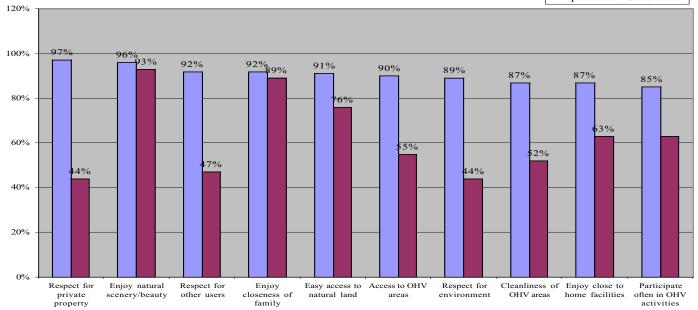
\$1.4 Million

**State Tax Revenues** 

# Economic Importance of OHV Recreation to Graham County ☐ Creates a statewide economic impact of \$37.5 million (multiplier effect)\* ☐ Contributes \$32.3 million to local economies through OHV-related expenditures ☐ Adds \$1.4 million to annual state tax revenues ☐ Provides \$6.2 million in income (salaries/wages) for Graham County residents ☐ Supports 348 jobs in Graham County

"Top Ten" Main Reason		"Top Ten" Outdoor Activities		
for taking last OHV Trip		done on last OHV Trip		
Camping	14%	<ul> <li>Driving backroads 77%</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Sightseeing</li> </ul>	11%	• Picnicking 47%		
<ul> <li>Driving backroads</li> </ul>	10%	• Sightseeing 42%		
Fishing	10%	<ul> <li>Hiking or walking</li> <li>30%</li> </ul>		
Picnicking	10%	• Camping 30%		
Hunting	9%	<ul> <li>Wildlife/bird watching</li> <li>30%</li> </ul>		
Trail riding-ATVs	7%	• Hill climbing 28%		
Hiking or walking	5%	• Trail riding-ATVs 27%		
Hill climbing	4%	• Fishing 26%		
Trail riding-motorbikes	1%	• Driving in open areas 24%		

## Evaluation of Last OHV Recreation Trip—"Top Ten" Objectives Rated as Most Important and Level of Satisfaction with each Objective



#### Type of Vehicle(s) used on last OHV Trip

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• 4WD Pickup Truck	50%
• All Terrain Vehicle (ATV)	46%
<ul> <li>Sport Utility Vehicle/Jeep</li> </ul>	19%
<ul> <li>Dune Buggy/Sand Rail</li> </ul>	16%
<ul> <li>Trail Motorcycle</li> </ul>	15%
<ul> <li>2WD Pickup Truck</li> </ul>	5%
<ul> <li>Snowmobile</li> </ul>	0%

\*Multiplier Effect: sum of OHV expenditures, secondary effects generated by local re-expenditure of money, and induced impact from salaries paid by directly and indirectly impacted industries.



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